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## IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPCY COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS (SHERMAN DIVISION)

IN RE:	§	
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GARY JOSEPH DERER	§	
	§	CASE NO. 07-42352
Debtor	§	(Chapter 7)
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LYNDIA COTTON and THOMAS	§	
MONTGOMERY,	§	
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Plaintiffs,	§	Adversary No. 08-04004
,	§	•
v.	§	
	§	
GARY JOSEPH DERER,	§	
,	§	
Defendant.	<b>§</b>	

## PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR DEFAULT JUDGMENT

## TO THE HONORABLE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE:

Plaintiffs THOMAS MONTGOMERY ("MONTGOMERY") LYNDIA COTTON ("COTTON") (hereinafter MONTGOMERY and COTTON are collectively referred to herein as "Movants") and files this their Motion for Default Judgment (the "Motion") in accordance with

Rule 55(b)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and Bankruptcy Rule 7055, and in support of said Motion would show the Court as follows:

- Plaintiffs filed their Complaint initiating this adversary proceeding on January 4,
  2008 (Docket No. 1).
- 2. Defendant GARY JOSEPH DERER ("DERER") was personally served with a summons and copy of the complaint, and has failed to plead or otherwise appear in this adversary proceeding (Docket No. 8). On July 18, 2008, the Court signed an entry of default (Docket No. 9).
  - 3. Defendant is not an infant or an incompetent person.
- 4. Plaintiff COTTON's claims against Defendant are for sums that are liquidated (the "Cotton Claims"). Plaintiff MONTGOMERY's claims consist of an objection to the discharge of DERER (the "Montgomery Claims"). The Cotton Claims are supported by the affidavit of Plaintiff COTTON (the "Cotton Affidavit"), said Cotton Affidavit is attached hereto as "Exhibit A," and is incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein. The Cotton Affidavit provides evidence of the amount of COTTON's claims against DERER as well as the fats supporting the non-dischargeability of COTTON's claims against DERER. The Montgomery Claims are supported by the affidavit of Plaintiff MONTGOMERY (the "Montgomery Affidavit"), said Montgomery Affidavit is attached hereto as "Exhibit B," and is incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein. The Montgomery Affidavit provides evidence of the basis for denying DERER a discharge under Title 11 USC § 727 of the United States Bankruptcy Code.
- 5. Plaintiff COTTON alleges that the Cotton Claim constitutes a "sum certain" that may be awarded without the aid of an evidentiary hearing. However, in the alternative, Plaintiff

COTTON requests that the Court receive evidence of Plaintiff COTTON's damages at an

evidentiary hearing. Plaintiff MONTGOMERY alleges that the acts of DERER that provide the

basis for denying DERER a discharge are evident through the Montgomery Affidavit, and that

the DERER's discharge may be denied without the aid of an evidentiary hearing. However, in

the alternative, Plaintiff MONTGOMERY requests that the Court receive evidence of the

Montgomery Claims at an evidentiary hearing.

6. Defendant DERER has not appeared in this action, and accordingly, Plaintiffs are

not required to serve Defendant with written notice of any evidentiary hearing on damages.

7. Plaintiffs hereby seek an entry of judgment against DERER for the Cotton

Claims; the denial of DERER's bankruptcy discharge relating to Montgomery's Claims;

exemplary damages; post judgment interest; and costs of court. A proposed judgment is attached

hereto as "Exhibit C."

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, Plaintiffs respectfully pray that the

Court enter a default judgment against Defendant GARY JOSEPH DERER, for the entire

amount of Cotton's Claims; a denial of the discharge of GARY JOSEPH DERER; Attorneys'

Fees; and costs of court.

Dated: July 28, 2008.

Respectfully submitted, **MYERS WILSON P.C.** 

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